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MEMORANDUM

TO: Interested Constituents

FROM: Milton Seymore, Chair *M.S.*
Kentucky Board of Education (KBE)

DATE: June 13, 2018

SUBJECT: Nominations for David Karem Award;
Submission Deadline – July 20, 2018

Mr. David Karem served on the Kentucky Board of Education from 2009 through 2016. He has experienced a very distinguished professional career, having served for thirty-three (33) years in the Kentucky State Senate and Chair of the Senate Education Committee. During his tenure in the Kentucky General Assembly, Mr. Karem championed the passage of the Kentucky Education Reform Act (KERA) and led the efforts for the 4% school tax levy by school districts.

The Kentucky Board of Education is proud to announce the second annual David Karem Award. This award may be given to state policymakers, education leaders, or citizens who have contributed to the improvement of education through venues such as national commissions, task forces, or other significant boards and organizations. Recipients of this award must demonstrate outstanding leadership and impact on educational policy and the education system during the past year or over an extended career of public service. In addition, this individual must demonstrate his or her commitment to working cohesively with different stakeholders.

The KBE invites your nomination(s) on the enclosed form. Because nominations may come from both organizations and individuals, additional copies of the form may be made and distributed throughout your membership/board. Notice that in addition to completing the nomination form, a brief narrative of 500 words or less describing how the person has exhibited the award criteria must be submitted no later than **Friday, July 20, 2018.**

Thank you for your assistance in identifying and recognizing candidates that exemplify the leadership characteristics of Mr. David Karem through their influence on education policy and the education system.

If there are questions about the nomination process, contact Mardi Montgomery at (502) 564-3141, ext. 4840 or via e-mail at Mardi.Montgomery@education.ky.gov.

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Enclosure: David Karem Award Nomination Form

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Kentucky Board of Education

Mr. David Karem Award

Submission Deadline: July 20, 2018

This annual award is given in honor of David Karem, respected legislator and seven-year member of the Kentucky Board of Education. His tenure and leadership in the Kentucky General Assembly, as well as a member of the Kentucky Board of Education, have been crucial in shaping state-level educational policy that ensure Kentucky's children can compete in today's global economy.

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Nominee Information			
Name _____			
Title _____			
Business Name _____			
Address _____			
City _____	State _____	Zip _____	
Phone _____	Fax _____		
E-mail _____			
Nominated By			
Name _____			
Address _____			
City _____	State _____	Zip _____	
Phone _____	Fax _____		
E-mail _____			

In 500 words or less, describe how the individual person exhibits the award criteria.

Send nomination form and essay via mail, e-mail or fax to:

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